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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith are the following:

An Amendment

A Petition for 1-Month Extension of Time

2. Entity Status

Small Entity Status is appropriate in this case.

3. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if

4. Provisional Fee Authorization Please charge any underpayment in fees for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

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